



EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

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FAST FACTS

Eastern Kentucky University, located at the nexus of the Bluegrass Region and the Appalachian foothills in Richmond, Kentucky, is a student-centered comprehensive regional university dedicated to high-quality instruction, service and scholarship. The Richmond campus has long been known as “The Campus Beautiful” for its attractive landscapes. With roots dating back to 1874, the university has a legacy as a “School of Opportunity” and is committed to the belief that high-quality education at all levels is the surest path to a higher quality of life for the region’s citizenry.

About a decade ago, the university underwent the most ambitious campus revitalization in the institution’s history, adding a number of new facilities, including: a student fitness and wellness center, a state-of-the-art science building, two residence halls, a Scholar House for single parents and a dining hall. In recent years, ECU has elevated commitments to students with innovative programs like ECU BookSmart and the Exceptional Eastern Experience (E3). ECU BookSmart provides free textbooks to all degree-seeking students. E3 offers students a well-rounded college experience through engaging events and concerts.

BY THE NUMBERS

ENROLLMENT: More than 15,000 students

PROGRAMS: More than 100 programs available, from certificates to doctoral studies

ALUMNI: More than 100,000 successful alumni worldwide

FIRST GENERATION: Approximately 50% of ECU students are first-generation college students

EMPLOYMENT: One year after graduation, 67% of ECU graduates are employed in Kentucky - the highest among the state’s public institutions.

ACADEMICS

- College of Justice, Safety, & Military Science, ECU’s Program of Distinction, offers renowned programs in Homeland Security, Criminal Justice, Fire and Safety, and Security Management
- Top-enrolled programs include Psychology, Criminal Justice, Elementary Education, Aviation and Social Work
- The only four-year Aviation degree program in Kentucky
- The only Manufacturing Engineering degree program in Kentucky and the region
- Occupational Therapy
- PGA Professional Golf Management
- Forensic Science
- Cyber Systems Technology
- Nationally recognized Nursing programs

POINTS OF PRIDE

- One of America’s Best Colleges by The Wall Street Journal
- First among Kentucky public institutions for Top Performers on Social Mobility by U.S. News & World Report
- Named a “Best Bang for the Buck” college by Washington Monthly
- Ranked No. 2 nationally in the Military Friendly® Schools review, and No. 2 as a Military Friendly® Spouse School
- Consistently ranked by Military Times among “Best for Vets” universities nationally, in Appalachia and in Kentucky
- No. 22 in Best Occupational Therapy Programs by U.S. News & World Report
- Among the Best Online Nursing School Master’s Programs by The Princeton Review

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